commissioned at Pune at a cost of Rs. 14 crores. ICMR is assessing the need to have more such facilities at other centres.

(c) and (d) In order to ensure that these laboratories are of international standards, the assistance of experts of Centres of Disease Control, Atlanta, USA has been taken in vetting the design prepared by Indian architects.

Polio cases

45. SHRI YADLAPATI VENKAT RAO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of polio cases reported from different States of the country as on the 30th June, 2002;

(b) the names of States from where these cases were reported;

(c) the steps being taken to make the country polio-free during next five years; and

(d) the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) A Statement is annexed *(See* below).

(c) and (d) The national goal is to eradicate polio in the country and obtain polio-free Certification by 2005. Every year, the annual strategies for achieving this goal is formulated and implemented on the basis of advice of National and International experts. Every year Mop-up rounds are conducted in the districts and adjoining area where new case are detected. Besides this, sub-national Immunization days are conducted throughout the State where cases are reported to be increasing. National Immunization Day is conducted all over the country when all children below 5 years of age are given polio drop two times during winter months. Every year the annual strategy for achieving this goal is formulated and implemented on the basis of advice of national and International experts.

Statement

Number of Polio cases reported from different States of the country as on 30th June, 2002

	POLIO CASES FOR 2002	(9.11.2002)
SI. No.	Name of the State/UT	Year2002
1.	Bihar	58
2.	Chhattisgarh	1
3.	Delhi	14
4.	Gujarat	18
5.	Haryana	10
6.	Jammu & Kashmir	1
7.	Jharkhand	10
8.	Madhya Pradesh	4
9.	Maharashtra	4
10.	Orissa	2
11.	Rajasthan	3
12.	Uttaranchal	11
13.	Uttar Pradesh	727
14.	West Bengal	33
	TOTAL	896

Sale of spurious drugs

46. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the sale of spurious drugs has reached an alarming proportion throughout the country for some time past;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the offence and conviction therefor during the last three years, State- wise and year-wise; and